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CalVCP Awards \$2 Million to Three California Trauma Recovery Centers

*CalVCP Partners with Fathers and Families, Children's Nurturing Project, and
Special Service for Groups*

Sacramento, CA – On Thursday, the California Victim Compensation Program (CalVCP) announced the award of grants totaling \$2 million for the next two fiscal years from the Restitution Fund to three Trauma Recovery Centers (TRC).

"These grants will help to serve the victims that these organizations work with face to face every day," said Julie Nauman, Executive Officer of the California Victim Compensation Program. "These centers offer critical assistance supporting survivors' long-term stability while improving their quality of life."

Children's Nurturing Project (CNP), located in Fairfield, will receive \$426,341 in grant funds from CalVCP. CNP is partnering with LIFT3 Support Group to provide a comprehensive system of care focused on domestic violence survivors. CNP was founded in 2001 and is a member of Solano County's Human Trafficking Task Force.

Fathers and Families of San Joaquin, a community-based organization (CBO) that has been serving at-risk populations and trauma victims since 2003, is receiving an award of \$716,932 to open the Stockton center. They will be partnering with San Joaquin Behavioral Health Services to provide comprehensive mental health and recovery services to victims of crime.

The third awardee is the Special Service for Groups (SSG), a community-based organization serving south Los Angeles. This is their second award, and they will receive \$856,727 this year. The SSG TRC currently provides mental health services to underserved crime victims through a partnership with the Homeless Outreach Program Integrated Care System (HOPICS), local service providers, and the District Attorney's Victim Assistance Center.

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The Restitution Fund serves as the single source of grant funds. Any portion of funding that a TRC does not use within the specified grant period will revert to the Restitution Fund. Last year's awardees, The Downtown Women's Center in Los Angeles and California State University, Long Beach, will be receiving funding through the end of fiscal year 2015-2016.

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The California Victim Compensation Program (CalVCP) provides compensation for victims of violent crime who are injured or threatened with injury. Among the crimes covered are domestic violence, child abuse, sexual and physical assault, homicide, robbery, and vehicular manslaughter. Last fiscal year, the program assisted over 800 individuals each week, and provided over \$61 million in compensation to crime victims.

If a person meets eligibility criteria, CalVCP will compensate many types of services when the costs are not covered by other sources. Eligible services include medical and dental care, mental health services, income loss, funeral expenses, rehabilitation and relocation. Funding for CalVCP comes from restitution fines and orders, penalty assessments levied on persons convicted of crimes and traffic offenses, and matching federal funds.

For more information about victims' rights and services, visit CalVCP at calvcp.ca.gov.